

OXFORD
BROOKES
UNIVERSITY

Embrace your future

Study Abroad and Exchange
2022



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Welcome



"At Oxford Brookes we are delighted to welcome international students from across the world. You help us to build a community of diversity that benefits everybody. Here you will be encouraged, challenged and supported to achieve your goals. Our ways of teaching, support systems and other activities are designed to give you opportunities to build your confidence and realise your ambitions. We want to know where you're aiming and we make it our business to get you there. We are proud of our students and graduates as they go out into the world to achieve great things."

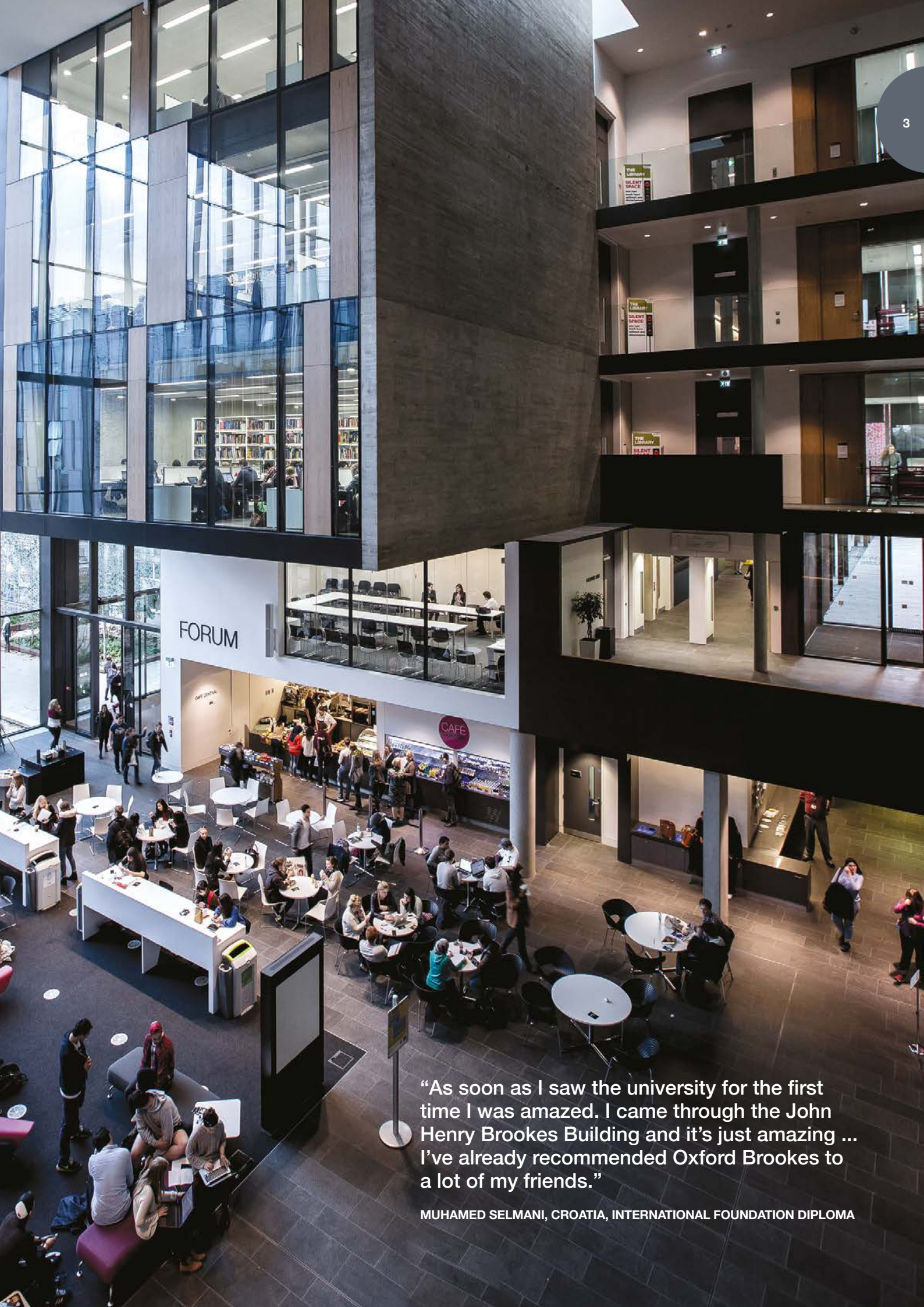
PROFESSOR ALISTAIR FITT, VICE-CHANCELLOR

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The University aims to provide clear and accurate information in line with guidance issued to higher education providers by the Competition and Markets Authority on consumer protection law.

All information is correct at the time of going to print. Following publication, please refer to the University's website for the most up-to-date details.



"As soon as I saw the university for the first time I was amazed. I came through the John Henry Brookes Building and it's just amazing ... I've already recommended Oxford Brookes to a lot of my friends."

MUHALED SELMANI, CROATIA, INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION DIPLOMA

Oxford: a great place for students

Look beyond Oxford's dreaming spires and impressive history and you'll find a vibrant and diverse student community. Whether you're looking for museums, pubs, galleries, parks or delicious food, you'll definitely find the Oxford for you.



"Living in Oxford? I feel it's one of the most amazing experiences ... I have found that the local people here in Oxford are really welcoming and friendly ... I simply love the city."

NIVEDITA BRAHMA, INDIA, PRE-MASTER'S CERTIFICATE



View from the Varsity Club, Oxford city centre

Airline buses connect Oxford with London Heathrow and Gatwick airports day and night airline.oxfordbus.co.uk



Westgate shopping centre



O2 Academy, Cowley Road



Punting on the River Cherwell

Oxford: student city

We know that choosing where to go to university is a big decision and that not all students want the same thing. Luckily, Oxford has something for everyone.

1. Oxford Brookes University, Headington Campus

Located in Headington, a leafy residential suburb, our main campus is walking distance from parks and a short bus ride from the city centre and the Cowley Road.

2. South Park

Two minutes walk from our Headington Campus, this green space offers some of the best views of Oxford's beautiful skyline.

3. Cowley Road

A vibrant area with places to eat from all corners of the globe. With pubs, bars and cafes, it's a firm favourite with students.

4. O2 Academy Oxford

This Cowley Road music venue hosts headline acts, as well as club nights. Brookes Sport student nights take place here every Wednesday during semester time.

5. The Ultimate Picture Palace

Offering student discounts, this is Oxford's first independent cinema, showing everything from the latest blockbusters, to foreign language films and the classics.

6. Punting down the River Cherwell

A quintessentially Oxford experience, punting is a unique way to see the city from the river.

7. Oxford Botanic Gardens

With free entry for Oxford Brookes students, you can explore Britain's oldest botanic garden that has over 6,000 different plant species!

8. Queen's Lane Coffee House

A great place to grab a coffee or slice of cake. Opened in 1654, it's reputed to be the oldest continually working coffee house in the whole of Europe.

9. Westgate shopping centre

Find over 100 stores, a cinema, restaurants, cafes, junkyard golf, a gym and much more. There's plenty to see and do, with many places offering student discounts.

10. Modern Art Oxford

Free and open to all, this gallery showcases cutting-edge exhibitions and innovative programmes.

11. Ashmolean Museum

With free entry, this art and archaeology museum has world famous collections, including Egyptian mummies and the largest collection of Raphael drawings.

12. Natural History Museum and Pitt Rivers Museum

From dinosaur skeletons to shrunken heads – these museums are free to enter and hold more than 5 million specimens!

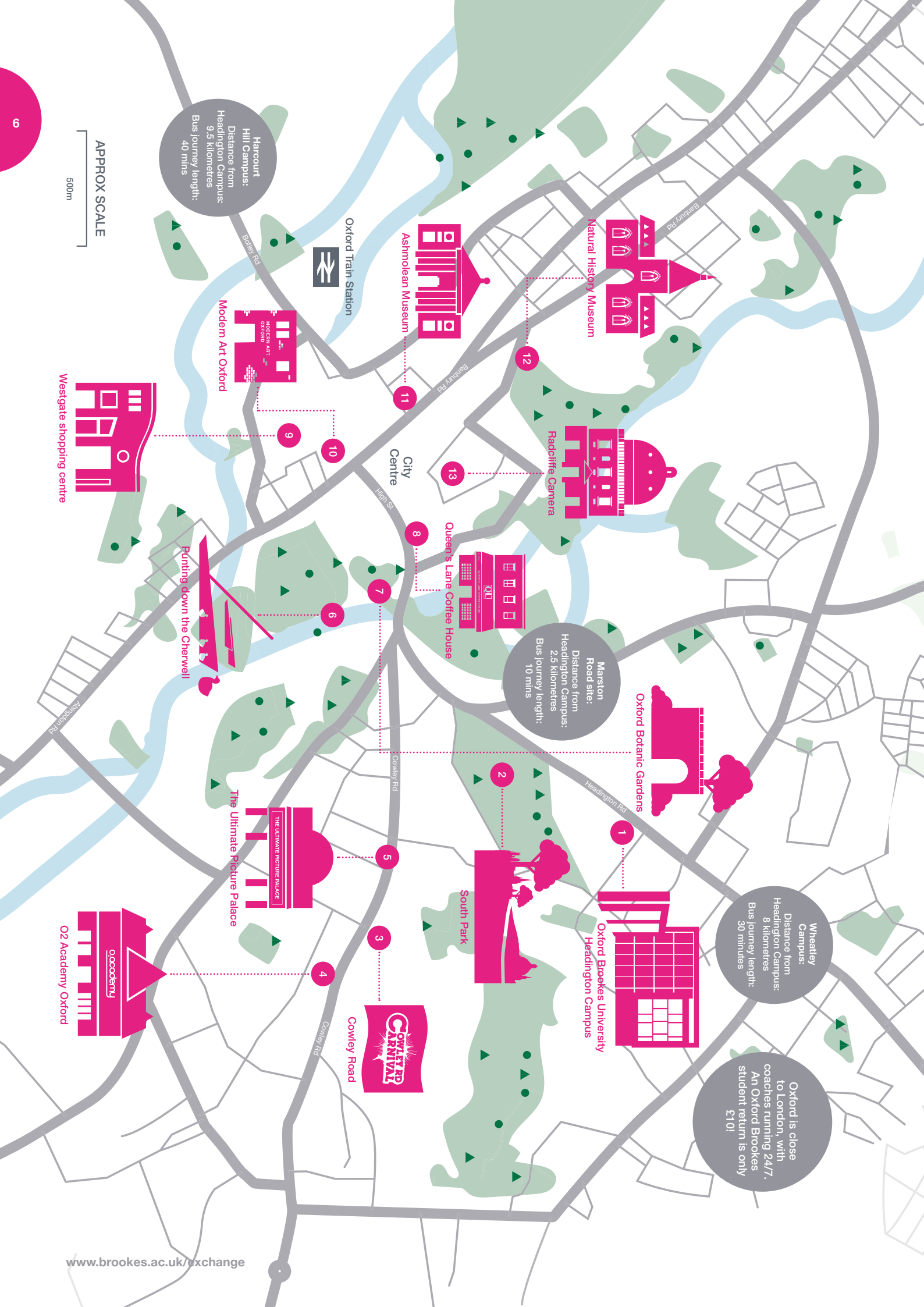
13. Radcliffe Camera

One of Oxford's most photographed landmarks, the area around here will have you feeling like you've stepped back in time.

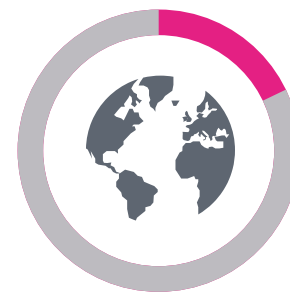
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Radcliffe Camera



Why Oxford Brookes?



17%

of our students
are international,
from **more than
140 countries**

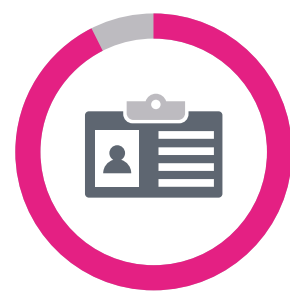
HESA 2019/20



2nd

young university in
the UK for **teaching**

*Times Higher Education Young
University Rankings 2020*



95%

of Oxford Brookes
students are **in
employment and/or
further study** within
6 months of
graduating

HESA Destination of Leavers 2018



The **only UK university** ranked
in the top 50 institutions under
50 years old

QS World University Rankings Top 50 Under 50 2021



Our **global MBA**
programme is in
the **top 20 world
ranking**

2021 QS Online MBA Rankings



Among the **world's
top universities**
in 13 individual
subject areas:

- Accounting and Finance
- Architecture & Built Environment
- Biological Sciences
- Business & Management Studies
- Computer Science & Information Systems
- Economics and Econometrics
- Education
- Engineering – Mechanical,
- Aeronautical & Manufacturing
- English Language and Literature
- Hospitality & Leisure Management
- Law
- Modern Languages
- Politics & International Studies

*QS World University Rankings by
Subject 2021*

21st century teaching and learning

Our campus facilities bring together library and teaching spaces with social learning areas, the Brookes Union and student support.

Our inspirational study spaces have been designed to offer flexibility and choice to suit the way you learn best – whether through lectures, discussions, debate or quiet study.

Each of our campuses offer a vibrant mix of learning spaces and specialist facilities, including workshops, labs and studios.



Teaching Excellence

Brookes lecturers ignite a passion for their subject – you will enjoy learning that fuels your enthusiasm and imagination.

Our teaching staff are renowned for their friendly and supportive approach.

You will learn from the best. Many of our academics are world leaders in their field and are regularly recognised for the commitment they show to their students and subject.

The way we teach

Teaching is offered through a wide range of methods combining the best of both traditional and progressive styles:

Lectures are for large groups of students, often in formal lecture theatres, where you will receive a presentation on a specific subject.

Seminars are in smaller groups and allow greater interaction between teachers and fellow students.

Tutorials are informal sessions, often one-to-one with your tutor.

Practicals apply to science, technology and vocational subjects.

IT services and Brookes Virtual include:

- computers available 24/7 and laptop loan
- free Wi-Fi so you can study using mobile devices
- computer service desk open daily.

400,000
paper-based journals and books

1,150
study spaces over 4 libraries

Over **25,000**
online resources

24/7
during semester in our Headington library



Supporting your student journey

Starting university is exciting but also a time of great change. You may well be living independently for the first time and learning to balance your new lifestyle with your studies, so we've made it as easy as possible for you to access a wide range of support and advice.

International Student Advice Team (ISAT)

Our specialist team for international students can advise you on visas and immigration before you arrive here and throughout your time at Oxford Brookes. The team organises social events for international students including a welcome programme and day trips to UK cities and famous places.

Our Global Buddies programme provides a friendly welcome for international students, putting you in touch with current UK students to help you settle into Oxford life.

✉ isat@brookes.ac.uk

☎ +44 (0) 2031 074490

www.brookes.ac.uk/students/isat



“Reach out for support, because you will be given it and it won't be in a way that's overbearing or confusing. It's just straightforward and simple, which is really, really nice.”

ASTON POLLINGTON, USA,
INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION
DIPLOMA FOLLOWED BY LLB LAW



Wellbeing service

Delivered by a team of friendly, professional support staff, our Wellbeing Service offers a range of confidential services, with specialists on hand to provide advice and encouragement on:

- learning support
- specialist mentoring
- medical issues
- disability support
- equality, diversity and inclusion
- spiritual issues
- childcare
- mental and emotional wellbeing.

www.brookes.ac.uk/students/wellbeing

Other support services

Personal academic adviser – a member of teaching staff providing academic support throughout the duration of your course.

Student support co-ordinators – based in each subject area, they are the first person to go to for support with personal issues or concerns with your studies.

Medical Centre and NHS dental clinic – based on Headington Campus. Other campuses have local doctors' surgeries nearby.

Academic English support – a range of options to help you develop the academic language skills you need for your degree.

The Centre for Academic Development – offers dedicated support in study skills, academic language and communication, and maths and statistics.

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What you can study

We offer a range of undergraduate modules that suit your interests or relate to topics you are studying at home.

- Architecture***

 - Architecture
 - Design
 - Interior Architecture

Arts, Digital Media and Publishing

 - Digital Media Production
 - Film
 - Fine Art
 - Graphic Design
 - Media, Journalism and Publishing
 - Music (Music majors only)
 - Photography

Biological and Medical Sciences

 - Animal Biology and Conservation
 - Biological Sciences
 - Biological Sciences (Genetics and Genomics)
 - Biological Sciences (Human Biosciences)
 - Biological Sciences (Zoology)
 - Biomedical Sciences
 - Equine Science
 - Equine Science and Thoroughbred Management
 - Medical Science

Built Environment

 - Building Surveying
 - Construction Project Management
 - Property Development and Planning
 - Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management
 - Real Estate
 - Urban Design, Planning and Development

Business and Management

 - Accounting and Economics
 - Accounting and Finance
 - Business and Finance
 - Business and Law
 - Business and Management
 - Business, Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
 - Business Management and Geography
 - Business Management and International Relations
 - Economics, Finance and International Business
 - Economics, Politics and International Relations
 - International Business Management
 - Management

Computing and Mathematics

 - Artificial Intelligence
 - Computer Science
 - Computer Science for Cyber Security
- Information Technology for Business
 - Mathematics

Education

 - Early Childhood
 - Education Studies
 - Primary Teacher Education

Healthcare

(Restricted subject area. Please contact the Global Exchanges Team for more details)

 - Nursing (Adult)
 - Nursing (Adult and Mental Health)
 - Nursing (Children's)
 - Nursing (Mental Health)
 - Midwifery
 - Occupational Therapy
 - Paramedic Science
 - Physiotherapy

Marketing, Events and Hospitality

 - Business and Marketing Management
 - Events Management
 - International Hospitality and Tourism Management
 - Marketing and Events Management
 - Marketing Communications Management
 - Marketing Management

Humanities

 - Applied Languages
 - Communication, Media and Culture
 - Drama, Theatre and Acting
 - English Language and Linguistics
 - English Literature
 - English Literature with Creative Writing
 - History
 - History of Art
 - Japanese Studies
 - Liberal Arts
 - Philosophy

Law

 - Law
 - Law with Business
 - Law with Criminology

Mechanical Engineering and Motorsports

 - Automotive Engineering with Electric Vehicles
 - Electro-Mechanical Engineering
 - Mechanical Engineering
 - Mechanical Engineering Design
 - Motorsport Engineering
 - Motorsport Technology
- Psychology and Social Work**

 - Psychology
 - Social work

Social Sciences

 - Anthropology
 - Criminology
 - Criminology and Law
 - Geography
 - International Relations
 - International Relations and Politics
 - Politics
 - Social Anthropology
 - Sociology

Sports, Exercise and Nutrition

 - Nutrition
 - Physical Activity and Health Promotion
 - Sport and Exercise Science
 - Sport, Coaching and Physical Education

CHOOSING MODULES FOR YOUR COURSE

- Our courses are broken down into equal-sized study units known as modules. Each module consists of teaching support, private study and assessment.
- You will normally select four single modules per semester or equivalent. Double modules can also be taken; however some can last a full academic year, so these are not available if you are only studying for one semester.
- A Language module can be added to your programme as a 5th module. There will be no additional charge for this module for Study Abroad (fee-paying) students.
- Formal teaching is usually around 3 hours a week in subjects like humanities and social sciences, and 6 hours a week in science and technology and some vocational subjects.
- Generally teaching takes place during the first 12 weeks. For the rest of the semester you will complete all the relevant assessments; this can include coursework or examinations.
- There are two semesters per academic year.
- The first semester is from September to December. The second semester is from January to May

GAINING CREDIT FOR YOUR STUDIES AT OXFORD BROOKES

All credits gained whilst studying can be transferred to your home university degree. You will earn either UK CATS (Credit Accumulation and Transfer Scheme) credits or European ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits.

Oxford Brookes modules	CATS credits	ECTS credits
1 single module	15	7.5
1 double module	30	15
1 semester's workload (4 modules)	60	30
1 semester's workload (8 modules)	120	60

For more information please contact studyabroad@brookes.ac.uk

* Architecture is not open to students wishing to study at Oxford Brookes University for one semester only

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English Language courses

You can take our University English (pre-sessional) course before, or as part of, a study abroad programme.

This course will improve your English language skills for any of our courses. It will familiarise you with university life, our study facilities and teaching methods before starting your main programme.

The course includes:

- academic reading
- academic writing
- academic listening and speaking
- study and research skills

The use of authentic materials in the classroom will develop your knowledge and understanding of studying at university level and also of British life and culture.

We offer 6 or 12 week courses. Please contact the study abroad and exchanges team if you would like advice on the most suitable course length for you.

There may be an additional charge for University English courses. See page 15.

KEY FACTS

- i** If you are continuing your studies here, you will not need to take another external English language examination to meet the language requirements of your next course
- i** Our core class sizes are kept small so you get the attention you need
- i** As a University English student you are an integral part of our student community
- i** You will be taught by high-quality teaching staff and supported by your own personal academic adviser.
- i** The course length will be tailored to suit your needs.



What are your options

If you need IELTS 6.0 with 6.0 in reading and writing, 5.5 in speaking and listening (the requirement for most of our study abroad or exchange programmes at Oxford Brookes):

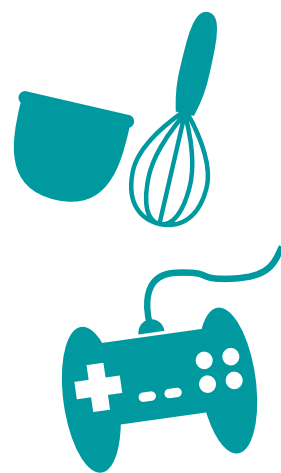
Your current IELTS	1st Semester	2nd Semester	Start dates
IELTS 4.5-5.0	University English	University English	September (12 week course)
IELTS 5.0-6.0 and GPA 2.8	University English	Undergraduate academic subjects*	June (12 week course) July (6 week course) September (12 week course)
IELTS 6.0+ and GPA 2.8	Undergraduate academic subjects*	Undergraduate academic subjects*	September

*The length of courses in this table is intended as a guide, but may vary.

BROOKES UNION: HERE FOR YOU

Run by students for students, we represent the student voice so that you can get on and make the most of your time at Oxford Brookes.

Find out more at brookesunion.org.uk



BELONG

We have

**over 100
student-led
societies.**

Societies are a great way to make new friends and try new things.

**BROOKES
UNION**
Est. 1921



SAFETY FIRST

We run the Safe Taxi scheme to help students get home safely if they don't have the cash to do so. We also run personal safety campaigns and last year handed out **over 1,000 personal safety alarms.**



FIGHTING YOUR CORNER

Our independent advice team supports students on housing matters, academic issues, student finance and more.

In 2019/20, we advised

**4,500+
students**

with

£840,000+

recovered for students!

STRESS LESS

We help support students with their mental health and wellbeing; whether that's by running our Stress Less Week, packed full with activities including yoga, mindfulness and crafts, or by campaigning to improve student wellbeing services.



Sport

From American football to Zumba, Brookes Sport offers plenty of opportunities to get active, compete, or simply make friends!

Supporting performance

On the competitive side #TEAMBrookes has a huge range of sports clubs you can join. Wednesdays are the sporting highlight of the week – teams travel across the country and host fixtures across Oxford as part of British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) competition.

www.brookes.ac.uk/brookes-sport

Facilities

With excellent facilities and equipment we offer something for everyone, including:

- Oxfordshire's premier climbing wall
- group exercise and wellness classes
- recreational sport and activities
- a swimming pool, boathouse, courts, pitches, sports bar and more.

Brookes Sport climbing wall



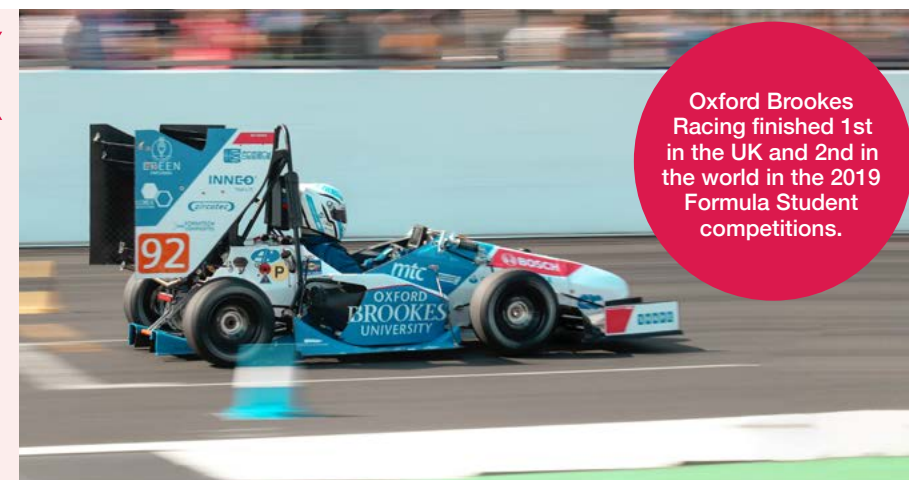
We are ranked among the best university rowing programmes in the world (BUCS)

We compete in 33 BUCs sports at both a regional and national level



FORMULA STUDENT TEAM

Oxford Brookes Racing (OBR), the award-winning Formula Student team from Oxford Brookes University, is open to any Oxford Brookes students wanting to get involved. It doesn't make a difference what year you're in, or even what you're studying – it doesn't need to be engineering! If you're passionate about racing you can get involved!



Oxford Brookes Racing finished 1st in the UK and 2nd in the world in the 2019 Formula Student competitions.

Life at Brookes: where you will live

Students coming to Oxford Brookes on exchange or study abroad programmes can apply to live in our university halls of residence. Living in halls is a great way to be part of university life, meet new people and experience life in the UK.

Living in halls

- Guaranteed accommodation – just apply by the deadline
- Self-catered flats – cook with your flatmates in the communal kitchens
- Less hassle – utility bills and contents insurance included
- Flexible payments – you can pay in instalments at no extra cost
- All of our halls are on a BROOKESbus route and students living in halls can purchase a discounted bus pass which entitles you to free travel on these services
- A welcoming community – our residence team are on site 24/7 and put on social events and activities around the year to help you settle in

“As an international student, when I left home I felt a little overwhelmed but living in halls helped me feel part of the community. I met a lot of new people from different cultures and countries and I’m still in touch with many of them.”

DANIYA MUKHAMBET, KAZAKHSTAN



Coming for one semester

There is specific accommodation available to students coming for one semester, usually in the halls close to our Headington Campus. Typically you will be living in a flat with other exchange students who will be staying

for one semester.

Coming for the full academic year

You can apply for a wide range of our halls, including en suite accommodation. Check our website for the full list available.

EXAMPLE ACCOMMODATION*



Size of hall	Location	Facilities	Approximate cost per week
single study bedrooms in flats of 5 to 6 people	500 yards from Headington Campus	Shared bathrooms	£143.01 (The price is for single-semester contract starting in September 2021 for Exchange students)

*For the most recent information please visit in our website the accommodation section at www.brookes.ac.uk/accommodation

How to apply

You will be invited to apply online for your accommodation. You will be contacted directly by the Accommodation Bureau with details of how to apply and the deadlines for doing so.

We offer accommodation for students with medical conditions and disabilities. If you require a particular type of room, including an adapted room or specialist equipment, please include this information when you apply so we can find a suitable room.

www.brookes.ac.uk/studying-at-brookes/accommodation/prospective-students

Accommodation Bureau

+44 (0) 345 193 2425

accomm@brookes.ac.uk

www.brookes.ac.uk/accommodation

Fees and living costs

Studying at Oxford Brookes for 1 semester or a full academic year is a great investment in your future.

Study abroad

If you are applying through one of our overseas representatives or a partner institution, for example your current college, there may be a package which includes tuition, accommodation and additional benefits. The institution you are applying through can supply you with the most up-to-date fees.

If you are applying independently, the table shows the fees that apply for pre-sessional and undergraduate courses. If you are a postgraduate student and are interested in the study abroad programme please contact the study abroad and exchanges office.

Exchange (International and Erasmus+)

If applicable, tuition fees are paid through your home institution. You will normally have to pay accommodation fees (see tuition fees table) and other expenses such as travel and food. For a list of our exchange partners visit: www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange/partners

Financial aid

If you are from the USA you may be able to use your Federal Financial Aid towards the cost of our study abroad programme as we are registered with the US Department of Education (registration number G20879). Please check with your home institution.

www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange

Period	Tuition fees for International and EU Undergraduate students 2022/23
Semester 1 (Sept – Dec)	£7,300 – £8,250
Semester 2 (Jan – May)	£7,300 – £8,250
Semester 1+2 (Sept – May)	£14,600 – £16,500

Approximate accommodation fees

Full academic year (Sept-May)	£4,332 – £7,791
Per week	£114 – £219

* Please refer to our fees page: www.brookes.ac.uk/international/study-abroad-and-exchanges/coming-to-brookes/fees-and-costs

For EU students wishing to study at Oxford Brookes during the 2022/23 academic year, check our dedicated webpage: www.brookes.ac.uk/eu

Tuition fees for pre-sessional English Language courses 2022/23

	Tuition fees for EU and international students
University English (6 week)	£2,200
University English (12 weeks)	£4,100



Living in Oxford

The amount of money you will need for living costs will depend on your course and individual level of spending. The UK Visas and Immigration service recommends you have at least £1,015 per month for living costs when studying outside of London. Living costs will vary significantly from student to student, so you should think realistically about what you spend.

How to apply

We welcome applicants from all countries with a wide range of international qualifications. We are happy to look into all applications on an individual basis, because if you are interested in coming then we are interested in finding out about you. We are here to make sure your studies get off to the right start.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To apply for our exchange and study abroad programmes you will need to meet our academic, and English language requirements (if English is not your first language).

Academic requirements

You should have completed at least one year of university studies, have a good academic record and a GPA of 2.8 (on a 4.0 scale) or equivalent.

English language requirements

If you are not a native speaker of English, please ensure that you meet our English language requirements of IELTS 6.0 (with 6.0 in reading and writing and 5.5 in listening and speaking) or equivalent.

If you do not meet our English language requirements we offer a pre-sessional University English course (see page 11), which will help you reach the required level.

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

If you are studying at one of our partner universities you can come to Oxford Brookes as an exchange student. If you are a European student this will usually be through the Erasmus+ scheme.

We have exchange agreements with around 150 institutions worldwide.

For more information about entry requirements, exchange programmes, application process or English language requirements for visas please visit our website for the most up to date information: www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange

APPLICATION DEADLINES

For Semester 1
(September – December 2022): 13 May 2022

For Semester 2
(January – May 2023): 14 October 2022

APPLICATION PROCESS

You will need to provide the following supporting documents:

- a copy of your passport
- evidence of your English language qualifications (if English is not your first language)
- an academic transcript and an official translation (if this is not in English) which shows evidence of your background in the chosen subject(s).

If you are an exchange student, you should contact the International Office in your home university for application information and a list of required supporting documents.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR VISAS

If you need a student visa there's a range of qualifications we can accept as evidence of your English language level. If you are from a country that the UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) considers to be majority English speaking, then you will not have to prove your English language level for visa purposes.

If you are applying for our University English courses you must take a UKVI approved SELT test.

APPLY FOR YOUR VISA

Immigration advice in the UK is regulated and the International Student Advice Team (ISAT) are the University's designated immigration advisers.

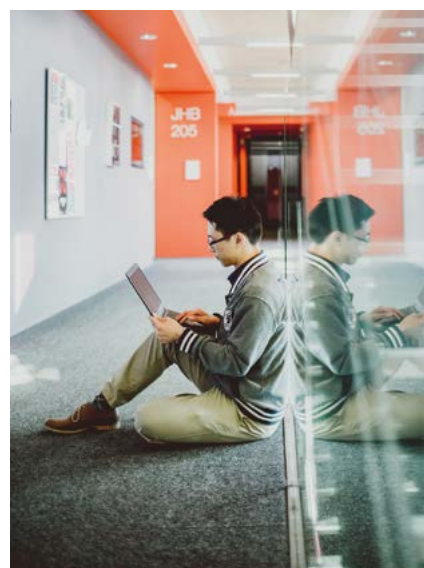
If your nationality is not British (or you are not from the United Kingdom), you will need a visa to come to the UK and study a course. Please check whether you need a visa or not, please visit: www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa

Most students will need to apply for a student visa (www.brookes.ac.uk/students/isat/visas/student-visa) or a Visitor visa (www.brookes.ac.uk/students/isat/visas/short-term-study) if your course is less than 6 months.

For more information about visas and immigration, please visit our website:

www.brookes.ac.uk/students/isat/visas

You can also contact our International Student Advice Team at isat@brookes.ac.uk



Get in touch

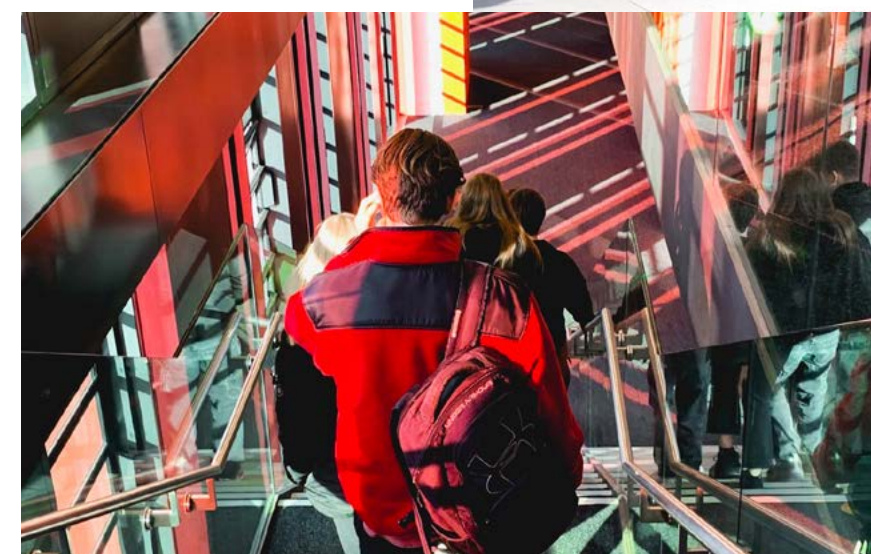
GLOBAL EXCHANGES AND STUDY ABROAD TEAM

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International students:
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MEET US IN YOUR COUNTRY
www.brookes.ac.uk/international/country

How to find us

OXFORD
BROOKES
UNIVERSITY

Oxford is well connected by train and coach to most major UK cities, as well as Heathrow and Gatwick airports. There's detailed information about getting to Oxford on our website www.brookes.ac.uk/travel

Travelling to and from London

Oxford is only 60 minutes by train and 80 minutes by coach to London



FIND OUT MORE



[www.brookes.ac.uk/international/
study-abroad-and-exchanges/
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